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PENZANCE (HAYLE DIVISION) PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

ANNUAL REPORT OF PORT MEDICAL OFFICER AND PORT HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1960

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To the Chairman and Members of the Port Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Herewith my report for the year 1960 in which there is little of significance to which to draw your attention.

The activities in the port vary very little and the character of trading, with the exception of scrap metal exported to Yorkshire principally and in which two major firms are concerned, has remained fairly constant for a number of years.

The volume of shipping is principally made up of incoming coal for use at the Electricity Generating Station, crude sulphur for the Associated Ethyl Works, oil and timber for local distribution through depots in the dock area.

The docks continue to provide the sewage outfalls for Hayle and which have given concern to the Committee for some time. During the year the District Council were asked to consider and agreed to ask their Consulting Engineers to report on necessary modern arrangements to cover sewerage and sewage disposal matters in Hayle generally.

A new scheme of sewerage for the villages of St. Erth and Canonstown was started with a treated effluent outfall into St. Erth river which discharges into the Hayle estuary.

Messrs. Harvey & Co. carried out some extensive office modifications, Messrs. Mayer, Newman & Co. moved their office premises to a new building on Carnsew Dock, and Messrs. Slade moved into Harvey & Co's old office block. In the two former instances no main sewerage facilities were available and local septic tank systems were provided.

Oil pollution was a matter which affected the district as a whole and to ensure that there was no contribution from tankers unloading at East Quay, assurances were given that every precaution was taken and would continue to be taken to avoid such possibilities.

The total discontinuance of cesspool emptier discharges into the dock was arranged by agreement with a neighbouring Authority .

No notifiable diseases have occurred in shipping entering the port during the year.

The general standard of cleanliness in the ships visited was very high.

18 bodies were placed in the Mortuary during the year.

I am,

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

P.E. Morris,

Port Medical Officer.

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SECTION 1 - STAFF

Table "A"

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment.	Date of Appointment.	Qualification.	Any other appointment held
P.E. Morris.	Port Health Medical Officer.	1st April 1952	M.B. Ch.B.	Police Surgeon Certifying Factory Doctor.
J.W. Hitchens	Port Health Inspector.	1st October 1952	P.H.I. Cert. M & F.I. Cert. R.S.I.& S.I.E.J.B.	Chief Public Health Inspector West Penwith R.D.C.

Address and Telephone Number of Port Medical Officer of Health : "Bonaer" Hayle 2315

SECTION 11 - Amount of Shipping entering the District during the year.

Table "B"

Ships from	Numbers	Tonnage	No. Inspected By M.O.H.	No. Inspected By P.H.I.	No. of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious disease on board
Foreign Ports	6	3302	6	Nil	Nil
Coastwise.	319	207,847	46	Nil	Nil
Total	325	211,149	52	Nil	Nil

SECTION 111 - Character of Shipping and Trade during year.

Passenger Traffic (Number of passengers INWARDS - Nil
(" " " OUTWARDS - Nil

Cargo Traffic (Principal Imports ... Coal, Cement, Potatoes, Sulphur, Oil and Timber.

(Principal Exports ... Scrap Metals.

Principal Ports from which ships arrive ... Blyth, Goole, Port of London, Fawley, Barry, Belfast.

SECTION 1V - Inland Barge Traffic

Number and tonnage using the district and places served by the traffic - Nil

SECTION V - Water Supply

(1)	Source of supply for (a) the district ...	Mains supply from Mellanear filtered and chlorinated.
	(b) shipping ...	Supply pipes taken through the docks with water points at intervals at dock side.
(2)	Reports of tests for contamination ...	Samples satisfactory.
(3)	Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes ...	One Person charged by Dock Undertakers to maintain water points and equipment in satisfactory condition.
(4)	Number and sanitary conditions of water boats and powers of control by the Authority. ...	Nil

SECTION VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1952

(1)	List of infected Areas (Reg.6) -	Weekly records of Quarantinable Diseases are now received and amendment of the list as applied to the Home Trade Ports made monthly. This information is supplied to Pilots and Customs Officers where circumstances warrant.
(2)	Radio Messages. -	This is not a radio transmitting or receiving Port but arrangements are made with the dock owners to forward any radio messages they may receive in connection with infectious diseases.
(3)	Notifications otherwise than by radio -	Arrangements made with Pilots and Customs' Officers for notification and despatch of "Declarations of Health".
(4)	Mooring Stations -	Stations have with approval of Harbour Master and Customs' Officers been sited in the bay.
(5)	Arrangements for:-	
	(a) Hospital Accommodation for infectious diseases -	County Isolation Hospital, Truro, through No.1. Health Area Office, Penzance.
	(b) Surveillance and follow up of contacts -	Through normal channels of Public Health Department of Rural District Council and No.1. Health Area Office.
	(c) Cleansing and Disinfection of ships, persons, clothing and other articles. -	Disinfection of ships carried out under direction of Port Health Inspector. No facilities for personal cleansing. Clothing etc. steam disinfected at West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance, by arrangement.

SECTION VII - Smallpox

(1)	Name of Isolation Hospital to which cases are sent from the district. -	Smallpox Hospital, Liskeard.
(2)	Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hospital by ambulance etc. -	Contact Dr. Pierson, M.O.H.Plymouth, or Plymouth Ambulance Bureau, Tel.No. Plymouth 4101.
(3)	Name(s) of smallpox consultant(s) -	Dr. W.A.Lister, 7, The Crescent, Plymouth, Tel.No.Plymouth 5701. Dr.Johnstone, Swilley Isolation Hosp. Plymouth, Tel.No.64311 & 61437 (Private Tel.No. Ply.3358)
(4)	Facilities for Laboratory diagnosis -	Virus Reference Laboratory, Central Public Health Laboratory, Collindale Avenue, London, N.W.9.

SECTION V111 - Venereal Disease

Location, days and hours of the available facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease among merchant seamen.	West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance, V.D. Clinic every Tuesday 5 p.m. Psychiatric clinic every Thursday each month 3 p.m. by appointment. Customs' Offices advise contact direct with M.O.H's surgery or Health Dept., West Penwith R.D.C. Penzance.

SECTION 1X Table "D" - Cases of Notifiable and other Infectious Diseases on Ships.

Category.	No. of cases during the year			No. of ships concerned
	Disease.	Passengers.	Crew.	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases landed from other ships.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

SECTION X - Observations on the occurrence of Malaria in Ships.

No ships from areas of epidemic malaria visited the Port and I have no observations to make on its occurrence in those ships from foreign Ports visiting Hayle.

SECTION X1 - Measures taken against ships infected with or suspected for plague.

No measures necessary.

SECTION X11 - Measures against rodents in ships from Foreign Ports.

(1)	Procedure for inspection	- Routine examination. Validity of deratting or deratting exemption certificates.
(2)	Arrangements for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents etc.	- Public Health Laboratory Service, Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro. No rodents sent for examination during the year.
(3)	Arrangements for deratting ships, methods used etc.	- Hayle is not an approved Port for this purpose. If necessary ships directed to Falmouth or other approved Port.
(4)	Progress in the ratproofing of ships.	- Nil.

Table "E"

Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from Foreign Ports.	-	Nil

Table "F"

Deratting Certificates & Deratting Exemption Certificates issued during the year for ships from Foreign Ports.	Nil

SECTION XIII - Inspection of ships for Nuisances

Table "G"

Inspections and Notices

Nature and Number of Inspections	Notices served		Results of Serving Notice
	Statutory Notices.	Other Notices	
As in Table "B"	Nil	Nil	-
Total 52	Nil	Nil	-

SECTION XIV - Public Health (Shell-Fish) Regulations 1934 - 1948

Not applicable

SECTION XV - Medical Inspections of Aliens

Not applicable

SECTION XVI - Miscellaneous

Arrangements for the burial on shore of persons who have died on board ship from infectious disease.	- Port M.O.H. in conjunction with District M.O.H. institute procedure prescribed by Section 162 P.H. A. 1936